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Introducing A Concurrent Resolution Recognizing And Honoring The 20th Anniversary Of The Founding Of The Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Incorporated, The First Intercollegiate Greek-Letter Sorority Established For Latina College Women On The West Coast

Statement of Rep. Pete Stark

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Mr.

Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to rise today to introduce a Concurrent Resolution recognizing and honoring the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter sorority established for Latina college women on the West Coast.

Lambda Theta Nu is a wonderful sorority. It has now grown into a well developed and structured organization that caters to the needs of Latina women in higher education. This sorority's B+ average grade point average among all its undergraduate members shows their dedication to academic excellence among Latina college women. Lambda Theta Nu prides itself on turning girls into women, Latinas into professionals, and students into graduates. Lambda Theta Nu's devotion to the Latino community and the positive development of its members should be applauded by all Members of the House.

The

text of the resolution follows, and I urge my colleagues to show their support for this distinguished organization by cosponsoring it.

Recognizing

and honoring the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Incorporated, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter sorority established for Latina college women on the West Coast.

Whereas the Lambda Theta Nu Sorority was founded by 18 young women on March 11, 1986 at California State University, Chico;

Whereas

Leticia Campos, Mary Helen Coronado, Pamela Daña, Abigail Estrada, Cecilia Fabian, Guadalupe Favela, Maria Gonzalez, Josephine Hernandez, Theresa Jauregui, Patricia Lozano, Luz Amelia Martinez, Rosa Meza, Imelda Michel, Rosana Michel, Teresa Reyes, Camille Rugama, Lisa Saldano, and Rosabelia Sanchez, the founders of the sorority, recognized and responded to the needs of

Latina women in higher education and established an innovative organization to respond to these needs;

Whereas the principles of the Lambda Theta Nu Sorority are academic excellence, community service and sisterhood;

Whereas

Lambda Theta Nu Sorority fosters collegiate academic excellence and promotes an environment for personal growth within a unit of sisterhood for all its members;

Whereas Lambda Theta Nu Sorority does not discriminate based on race, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or handicap;

Whereas,

for over 20 years, Lambda Theta Nu Sorority has played an integral role in improving the college graduation rate for Latinas across 25 college campuses in California, Colorado, Nebraska and Texas;

Whereas

Lambda Theta Nu Sorority is a founding member of the National Association of Latino Fraternal Organization, the first of its kind.

Whereas

for over 20 years the sisters of Lambda Theta Nu Sorority have been committed and devoted leaders for the Latino community by serving as positive and educated role models, and contributed to efforts to increase Latino literacy nationwide: Now, therefore, be it:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That Congress--

(1) recognizes and honors the 20th anniversary of the founding of Lambda Theta Nu Sorority;

(2)
commends its Founders and all Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Inc. sisters
for their bond of sisterhood, common ideals and beliefs, and service to
the Latino community; and

(3) expresses its best wishes for Lambda Theta Nu Sorority Inc.'s continued success and growth.